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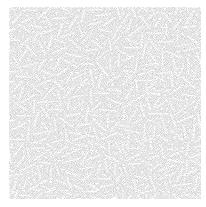
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## Dear Ms. Dailey:

Your December 10, 2014, email to President Obama regarding the West Lake Landfill Superfund Site and the Bridgeton Landfill was forwarded to this office for response. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 7 office in Lenexa, KS is in the lead for ensuring that the scientific, legal and technical standards established by the laws and regulations that govern Superfund sites are followed at the West Lake Landfill Site. The Missouri Department of Natural Resources is in the lead for oversight of the closed Bridgeton Landfill that received sanitary and municipal waste. Your frustrations living near a closed landfill with a subsurface smoldering event (underground fire) as well as the adjacent West Lake Superfund Site are understandable.

As you know, the state of Missouri is the lead for managing environmental issues presented by the state-permitted closed Bridgeton Landfill. The State, through its Department of Natural Resources and the Attorney General's office, has taken strong actions to mitigate odors emanating from the South Quarry of the Bridgeton landfill: required the installation of a vinyl cover to trap fugitive gases escaping from the landfill and construction of a leachate collection system. These efforts, among others, have reduced the amount and intensity of offensive odors escaping the Bridgeton landfill. The agency recognizes that the community still lives with odor issues related to the Bridgeton landfill

The agency's work focuses on the radiologically impacted material at the West Lake Landfill, and is aimed at ensuring that a protective remedy is implemented. The EPA, with help from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, is continuing to assess whether the SSE in the Bridgeton Landfill substantiates the need for response actions to address a threat of release of hazardous substances from the West Lake Landfill. The agency is also in the process of having the Potentially Responsible Parties perform additional investigation and supplemental feasibility study work that the agency will use to evaluate the previously selected remedy and other remedial alternatives. While the EPA continues to diligently work to evaluate the 2008 Record of Decision and any necessary interim response actions to address the risks posed by the RIM at the site, at this time the agency does not believe site data warrants consideration of permanent relocation. The agency will continue to evaluate all data related to the site, and consider all appropriate response and remedial alternatives as provided by CERCLA. There is much work that continues at the West Lake Superfund site. To stay informed about the latest activities, please visit: http://www.epa.gov/region7/cleanup/west\_lake\_landfill.

Thank you,

Karl Brooks

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